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**Opening a Branch of Cotton Textiles Promotion Council at Hyderabad**

1938. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to open a branch of the Cotton Textile Promotion Council at Hyderabad to facilitate the export of garments from Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) to (c) The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council, Mumbai has opened its branch office at Hyderabad in January, 2001, to facilitate the exports of cotton textiles from Andhra Pradesh.

**Production of raw Jute**

1939. SHRI B. J. PANDA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to State:

(a) the approximate quantum of raw jute produced in different jute growing States annually;

(b) whether the raw jute produced in the country are not adequate to cater to the need of the jute mills in the country;

(c) if so, whether Government is importing raw jute; and

(d) if so, the details of total quantum of raw jute imported by Jute Corporation of India (JCI) during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) A statement indicating approximate quantum of raw jute produced in different jute growing States is enclosed. (*See below*).

(b) Raw Jute produced in India is normally sufficient to cater to the need of the jute mills in the country. However, imported raw jute is used largely to meet the demand for export of jute goods.

(c) and (d) Government is not importing any raw jute. Raw jute is permitted to be imported under OGL. The Jute Corporation of India (JCI) has not imported any raw jute during the last three years.

**Statement**

*State-wise production of raw Jute*

[In Lakh Bales]

(1 balc = 180 kg.)

States	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001
Assam	10	8.44	10.0
Mcghalaya	0.3	0.2	0.3
W. Bengal	56	53	64.4
Bihar	8	8	9.5
Orissa	3	2.63	2.1
A.P.	4	4.66	5.6
Tripura	0.32	0.35	0.2
Others	1.25	1.3	1.9
Total	82.87	78.58	94.0

**New plan for dew-lpment of Garment Industry**

1940. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any new plan for development of Garment Industry of the country;

(b) If so, what are the basic features of such plan;

(c) whether Government propose to establish new textile units in coming years; and

(d) If so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) and (b) A Scheme has been announced in the Union Budget 2001-02 for